

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 99,097)

In the Application of:

John W. Elling and Susan I. Bassett

Serial No.: 09/281,991

Filed: March 29, 1999

For: Method and System for Artificial  
Intelligence Directed Lead Discovery  
In High Throughput Screening Data

Examiner: M. Sheinberg

Group Art Unit: 1631

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2001. Enclosed is a check covering the small entity fee of \$55.00 for this extension. A response is therefore due by November 16, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

**MCDONNELL BOEHNEN  
HULBERT & BERGHOFF**

Date: November 16, 2001

By: CBL Hughes

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